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(54) **Method for accessing data using a self-service point-of-sale terminal.**

(57) A use of relational database management at a host CPU intereacting with selection requests from remote POS terminal includes (1) dynamic database generation of textual screens from the CPU relational data manager together with information for accessing a video picture source local to the POS terminal for generating selected picture screens, and (2) the textural searching of a virtual menu tree (part of a text screen) whose starting node is dependent upon the user's choice of picture or text information. The changed content of the text and picture screens is solely a function of the relationally accessed data designated by the user's menu selection.

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